

Friends of Pier Park October 16, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:39 PM

Attendees:

Matt Kunz (Chair)	Keola Morley (Treasurer)
Steve Davis (Secretary)	Dave Blado (Portland Parks)
Mary Ann Aschenbrenner	Victor Gennaro
Jo MacMillan	

Portland Parks & Rec Update (Dave Blado reporting)

- Overnight No Parking signs, 10PM to 5AM all days, have been installed on the park side of N. James St and Bruce St.
- The new drinking fountain, to replace the old one by the playground, has been ordered. It will take 4 – 6 weeks for delivery. Installation will be scheduled after delivery.
- The new disc golf course cash donation box has been installed at the first tee. Signage indicating that it is in place will be put on the information board.
- Tree maintenance work, including removal of damaged firs and diseased madrones along N James St will be taking place in the near future.
- Disc golf tree protection: Brian, the golf course overseer with Stumptown Disc Golf, provided PP&R with a reference to plastic netting from IndustrialNetting.com as a possible improvement over the existing furring strip - bungee cord method of tree protection. Dave, the park horticulturalist, observed that the Douglas fir trees seem

to be withstanding hits from golf discs without much effect to tree health. He noted that the vine maple on hole 4 seems to be the only tree that is showing effects of damage. His recommendation is to hold off on pursuing the netting solution due the relative high cost. We can look into protecting the hole 4 vine maple using the existing method.

- Off road bicycle skills course: further discussion regarding this initiative reinforced the concern among attendees that mixing off road bicycle activity near the other activities in the park would be dangerous. Dave expressed interest in investigating how the currently unused wooded area in Chimney Park might be better utilized. Mary Ann referred him to a contact for the adjacent container storage facility in order to determine the boundary line in that area.
- Golf course sign sponsorship: Dave raised the concern that, in the past, when sponsor signs were damaged it became a maintenance issue for the PP&R staff. He recommended that if we put new sponsor agreements in place and get new signs we should procure extra copies of the sponsor stickers so that they can be easily replaced when damaged.

Treasurers Report:

- The total in our accounts is \$5113.61 in the bank and \$109 in PayPal.

Open Topics:

Jo runs a nonprofit family arts camp each summer and noted that Pier Park looked like a great location for this. She wondered if it would be possible to do this. Consensus of the attendees was that it seemed like a good fit. It would require a permit. She was referred to the PP&R phone number to call to reach the permitting office.

Next Meeting:

The November meeting will be our annual Pot Luck dinner/working meeting. It will be held on Nov 20th at Mary Ann's home, 7525 New York Ave. The meeting will focus on strategic initiatives for FoPP. Matt asks all attendees to bring their top 5 focus initiatives for discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.